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In re application of: Hastings et al.

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Filed: March 10, 1998

Examiner: Saoud, C.

For: Human Vascular IBP-Like Growth Factor
Polynucleotides (as amended)

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

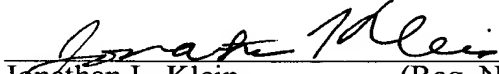
Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Official Action mailed December 15, 2000 for two (2) months from March 15, 2001, to and including May 15, 2001.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$390.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge Deposit Account No. 08-3425.

Respectfully submitted,

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